

**WESTERN DISTRICT MAJOR CRIME**

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**News Release**

On 03/28/04 at approximately 1530 hours State Police Troop L received a 911 call from a witness reporting that the accused, David Vecchiarino 10/03/65 of Kent, as causing a disturbance and acting in a dangerous manner. Vecchiarino was at a private condo, 22 South Common Road in Kent. Troop L then received several additional 911 calls from witnesses reporting that Vecchiarino had a weapon and fired one round striking his relative's vehicle.

Vecchiarino's relative, was seated in the vehicle at the time and suffered minor injuries as a result of Vecchiarino firing the weapon.

The victim left the scene and was met by State Police and EMS personnel. The victim was transported by ambulance to New Milford Hospital where she was treated and released. Vecchiarino remained in the private residence and refused to exit. State Police set up a perimeter and negotiated. At approximately 1935 hours Vecchiarino exited the residence and was taken into custody by the State Police without incident.

Vecchiarino was transported to Troop-L where he was processed and charged with Assault 1st degree with a firearm, Reckless Endangerment and Unlawful Discharge of a Firearm. Vecchiarino is being held on a \$500,000 bond and will appear in G.A. 18 Bantam court on Monday 03/29/04.

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